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From left are students Brendan Harris, Marian Cavanaugh-Rouse, Eric Buhlman, Greg Pelc and Geoff Leadbeater with their guide as they pause for a break halfway through the via ferrata course.

Outdoor Club rocks West Virginia

Over the weekend, 18 members of the Outdoor Club traveled to Franklin, W. Va. where they went caving in Trout Cave and climbed via ferrata at Nelson Rocks Preserve. Via ferrata is Italian for "iron way," and is a type of mountain climbing route with a safety system permanently installed which includes steel rungs, ladders and bridges that are structured to facilitate the climb and provide access to high, vertical faces and extreme mountain terrain. Outdoor club hosts meetings every Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Gazebo outside of Guerrier Center.

MSA hosts Islam Awareness Week

By Sarah Lake
Life & Style Editor

The SU Muslim Student Association will host its third annual Islam Awareness Week with events scheduled from Thursday, April 12, through Friday, April 20.

The MSA's main goal for the week, according to President Anisa Gharbi, is to bring different groups of people together and to embrace diversity just by understanding one another.

"We would like to offer an understanding of Islam, especially its misconceptions," she said. "We'll also pair it with other religions and different groups of people."

During Islam Awareness Week, the MSA will bring in a variety of speakers who are available to both the SU campus and community. Internationally acclaimed Islamic Scholar Hassanain Rajabali will be conducting four speeches and one congregational prayer throughout the week. Rajabali's speech topics include evolution in Islam; peace and understanding between peoples of all faiths; Islamic philosophy on mankind's purpose on Earth; and scientific approaches to the last divine revelation as explained in the Holy Qur'an.

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Anisa Gharbi
MSA President

Multi-cultural musician Daria will be performing in Caruthers Auditorium on Wednesday, April 18 and will also be providing diversity music at two of Rajabali's speeches.

"She's pretty much known world-wide," said Gharbi. "She's gone to the Gaza Strip and she does songs that have to do with the world and bringing people together."

On Monday, April 16, the MSA will present the Muslim Artists' Table Gallery in the Link of Nations. Students can observe Arabic Calligraphy of famous quotes and scenic drawings as presented by local artists. "For Muslims," says Gharbi, "calligraphy is a very beautiful art form."

Other events include a film presentation of The Invisible Children,

an open mic night for justice and peace and an Islamic book fair table where students can purchase books and learn how to write their names in Arabic.

The religion of Islam is based on the idea that there is only one God. Muslims believe that Islam has existed since the time of Adam; who was believed to be the first prophet. Muhammad, the last prophet, received the final revelation; a message that has been sent down through 124,000 prophets. Muslims share a lot of the same prophets as many other religions; including Abraham and Moses. This, along with the idea of the unity of one God provides a basis for the hope of unification amongst the most diverse of peoples.

According to Gharbi, the word "Muslim" literally means "ones who commits himself or herself completely to God." "That's basically how we live our lives; in such a way that in everything we do, we think about God," she said. "I probably don't go a day without thinking about what God would want me to do."

For more information visit MSA's website at <http://orgs.salisbury.edu/sumsa>.

List of Events

Thursday, April 12

■ 5 p.m. Worcester Rm — Open Mic Night for Justice and Peace on Earth

■ 6 — 7:30 p.m. Worcester Rm — Invisible Children screening

Monday, April 16

■ 10 a.m. — 3 p.m. The Commons — Islamic Book Fair

■ 11 a.m. — 3 p.m. The Link of Nations — Muslim Artists' Table Gallery

Tuesday, April 17

■ 10 a.m. — 3 p.m. The Commons — Islamic Book Fair

■ 6:30 — 8:30 p.m. Fulton 111 — Islamic 101

Wednesday, April 18

■ 10 a.m. — 1 p.m. The Commons — Islamic Book Fair

■ 1:30 — 2:30 p.m. Caruthers Auditorium — "We Are All Related — Music From Around the World" by Daria

■ 6 — 7:30 p.m. Henson 103 — "Evolution in Islam" by Hassanain Rajabali

— More events to come in next week's issue of The Flyer.

Fulton school curriculum reform approved

By Justin Ritter
Editorial Editor

"It's a streamline for progress."

Donna Kitenour
Faculty Senate member

With a vote of 10 in the affirmative and five in the negative, the SU faculty senate approved enhancing the Fulton School of Liberal Arts from 3- to 4-credit based courses, to be implemented fall semester 2008.

The official proposal for the reform states the changes for students: "The 4-credit course model would both allow and oblige students to concentrate and engage more deeply in each individual course, and in many cases not just execute significantly more work in each course, but do significantly more critical thinking, and advanced reading."

The proposal also states the changes for faculty: "The 4-credit course model would require a redistribution of faculty energy that would reconfigure, but not reduce, faculty teaching load and expectations. Teaching these 4-credit courses with their additional assignments would require faculty to interact more with students on a one-to-one basis and to mentor individual students, especially through the enhancement-related assignments and in keeping with SU's focus on student-centeredness."

Current 3-credit courses would be enhanced and converted to 4-credit courses by implementing one or more of the following:

1. Increased course content and/or collateral readings

Requirement: Additional 45 hours per semester of supervised, documented learning.

2. Undergraduate Research and Information Literacy

Requirement: Additional 45 hours per semester of supervised, documented learning and/or supervised instruction and documented learning through appropriate technology mediums.

3. Technology

Requirement: Supervised instruction and documented learning through appropriate technology mediums.

4. Higher Level Critical Thinking Exercises

Requirement: Additional 45 hours per semester of supervised, documented learning and/or supervised instruction and documented learning through appropriate mediums.

5. Service Learning/Civic Engagement

Requirement: Additional 45 hours per semester of supervised, documented learning.

6. International Education/ Cultural Enrichment

Requirement: Additional 45 hours per semester of supervised, documented learning.

7. Additional hour(s) in class, lab or studio.

Requirement A: Additional 15 hours per semester of supervised documented learning in class.

Requirement B: Additional 30 hours per semester of supervised, documented learning in lab or studio.

The Fulton School 4-credit proposal will also reduce the General Education requirement in the recognized Groups I, II, and III to 26-28 credits. Below encapsulates the new General Education Model to be used for the Fulton School.

■ Group I—English Composition and Literature (2 courses)
Complete the following two courses:

A. ENGL 101

.....4 credits

B. One literature course (in either English or Modern Languages)

.....4 credits

■ Group II- History (2 courses)

Complete two History courses:

A. HIST 101, 102, or 103

.....4 credits

B. HIST 101, 102, 103, OR a History course above 103

.....4 credits

■ Group III- Humanities and Social Sciences (3 courses)

Complete one course from each of the following three groups. The three courses must come from three different departments:

A. Select one course from Art, Communication/Theatre Arts, Dance, Modern Languages, Music, or Philosophy.....4 credits

B. Select one course from Anthropology, Economics, Human Geography (NOT Physical Geography), Political Science, Psychology, Sociology/Conflict Analysis and Dispute Resolution

.....3-4 credits

C. Select one course from either group A or group B

.....3-4 credits

■ Group IV-Natural Science, Math, and Computer Science (4 courses)

A. Select two courses with laboratories from at least two of the following four areas: Biology, Chemistry, Geology-Physical Geography, Physics.

B. Select one course (need not include a lab) from Group IV A or Computer Science or Mathematics: Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Health Science, Geology-Physical Geography, Physics, Computer Science, or Mathematics.

C. Select one math course.

■ Group V-Health Fitness (1 course)

Complete PHEC 106 Personalized Health/Fitness

.....3 credits

The new Fulton curriculum begins Fall 2007 in the Art, Philosophy, Political Science and Spanish Departments. All other Fulton programs will be "enhanced" in Fall 2008.

Dr. Donna Kitenour, faculty Senate Member and Sidell School Representative of the University Curriculum committee voted in the affirmative of the Fulton enhancement proposal. "It's a streamline for progress. Conceptually it is a good idea."

Man receives three years for assaulting SU coach

By Sarah Lake
Life & Style Editor

Galen Morris, 25, was sentenced to three years in jail for assaulting SU baseball coach Nathan Israel in a city bar last fall.

Morris pleaded guilty last Friday to second-degree assault in the

Wicomico County Circuit Court.

According to police reports, following the assault on October 14, Israel was hospitalized for a serious head injury after being found unconscious on the floor of the bar. Morris later admitted to having been drinking.

In a December 2006 letter to the

Daily Times, Morris expressed his resentment toward his actions and encouraged readers to understand the importance of setting a good example for others to follow. "Your actions carry a powerful influence on others, more powerful than you are probably aware," he wrote. "Consequently, making the deci-

sion to set even one example may take only a minute, but it will last a lifetime in the memory of an observer."

Morris is scheduled to have a trial this week to face charges including disorderly conduct, assault and reckless endangerment.

Story Brief



Gulls put bullet through Gettysburg

The top-ranked Salisbury University men's lacrosse team defeated the No. 5 Gettysburg College 10-6 in front of 1,240 screaming fans at Sea Gulls Stadium during alumni weekend. The Gulls have now won 52 straight games at home, 58 straight regular season games, and have won six straight over the Bullets holding a 16-5 series advantage. Salisbury (11-0) struck first scoring the first tally nine minutes into the contest as Matt Hickman scored the first of his four goals on the day off of a feed from Mike Lennon. After a great save from SU goalie Max Zarchin, who shined in the Gulls win, the Bullets Joe Brody collected the rebound and put it in the back of the net to even the score at 1-1. The quarter ended 2-2 but that changed quickly as SU scored the first two tallies of the second stanza, and went into halftime holding on to a 5-3 lead.

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News Briefs

SENATOR BEN CARDIN SPEAKS AT SALISBURY

Senator Ben Cardin along with former Senator Paul Sarbanes will hold a speech in Holloway Hall at 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 5. Ben Cardin's speech will cover his public career along with issues which are facing the nation. The main topic of the afternoon will be "Global Warming and Its Unique Impact on Maryland." The talk will be free and the public is invited to attend.

FIRESIDE LOUNGE RE-OPENING

The Fireside Lounge will host its grand re-opening and open house on Thursday, April 5, from noon until 8 p.m. T-shirts will be given out to mark the occasion of the newly improved section of the Guerrieri Center. New carpet, new furniture, an Xbox 360, PS3, Nintendo Wii and a big screen TV are just a few of the renovations to the lounge.

LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Blackwell Library will host its annual book sale from Monday, April 16 until Friday, April 20. The sale will consist of novels only which will be sold for \$5.50 each. Anyone who purchases a novel will be able to fill out a raffle ticket and be eligible to win prizes including an iTunes and Amazon.com gift cards.

VARIETY SHOW AUDITIONS

On Tuesday, April 10 and Wednesday, April 11 Event Services will hold auditions for the 18th annual Variety Show. The Variety Show will be on April 20 and 21 at 7:30 p.m. in Holloway Hall. Anyone wishing to sign up for auditions must go to the Events Services Office above the Commons. Audition times and locations will be determined when the acts sign up. If you have any questions contact SU Event Services at 410-548-4597.

DR. TOM JONES APPOINTED NEW PROVOST

Dr. Thomas Jones has been selected as the new Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at Salisbury University. Since August 2006 Jones has served as Interim Provost and prior to that served as dean of the Henson School of Science and Technology for nine years. "I am extremely excited about this opportunity to be able to continue to serve Salisbury University in this leadership role," said Jones in a press release.

City Council election cheat sheet

By Justin Ritter
Editorial Editor

Students and other community members will vote for three open Salisbury city council seats today. The six candidates in order from the most popularly voted in the primary election on down include: Louise Smith, Terry E. Cohen, Gary A. Comegys, Timothy Spies, Don Ewalt, and John Atkins.

Listed below includes information and statements from each of the candidates. Issues and personal statements are addressed for the potential student voter to receive an informed choice when voting on Tuesday. Issues addressed include: housing, crime, and management of growth.

■ **Louise Smith**
Most votes in primary election
— *Stances that impact SU*

Wants to "continue dialogue with university to see how we can provide more housing."
Wants affordable housing for students that is "more in line with income."

■ **Terry E. Cohen**
Second in primary
— *Stances that impact SU*
Strong stance on crime
City of Salisbury is 11th per capita in US for serious crime
For "inclusionary zoning" — "Stable single-family neighborhoods and well-designed multi-family/multi-use neighborhoods reduce crime and blight and contribute to the affordability of housing."

■ **Gary A. Comegys**
Current incumbent
— *Stances that impact SU*
Will not vote to re-open 4-2 issue

again.
"Parking and housing have been lagging in the [SU] growth plan." Private enterprise advocate.

■ **Timothy Spies**
Member of Camden Neighborhood association.
— *Stances that impact SU*
Advocates "affordable housing communities for students." Believes landlords are "ripping students off," and wants a student tenant organization.

■ **Don Ewalt**
— *Stances that impact SU*
For 4-1 housing.
For private enterprise.
Wants to "partner with contractors to give us [the city] more affordable housing."
Wants a student liaison on the city council.
Wants more shuttle buses.

■ **John Atkins**
— *Stances that impact SU*
For Private enterprise.
"Responsibility for providing housing for the students is not the responsibility of the city, but of the college."
Believes market [rental] prices are fair in the city, and "are fair for people with lower socio-economic status."

The Student Government Association will provide rides for voting students on Tuesday from 12 to 7 p.m. The SU van will be marked "Going to Vote! Take this van." The van will be parked between the Henson and Caruthers building and will leave every hour. The van's destination will be to Harvest Church, the only voting center in the city council election.

Crime beat

03/16/07- 03/25/07
01:00 PM- 12:30 PM

Theft

A student reported a bicycle was stolen from a bike rack near St. Martin Hall. The bicycle was secured to the bike rack.

03/10/07- 03/26/07
03:00 PM- 05:15 PM

Disruptive Behavior

An employee reported a disruptive behavior problem in Holloway Hall with a subject, who is not affiliated with the university. The subject was instructed to cease contact at SU.

03/29/07
01:03 AM

Unauthorized Flyers

University Police observed two students posting unauthorized flyers near the University Center. Judicial charges are pending.

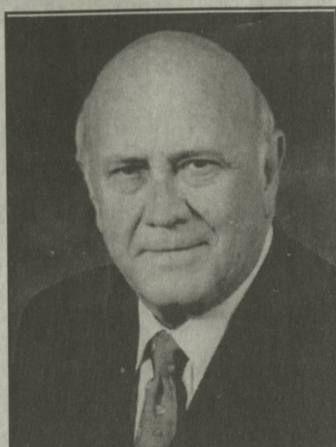
03/27/07- 03/29/07
05:23 PM- 11:45 AM

Suspicious Subjects

An employee reported observing suspicious subjects in the Commons Building.

Interested in writing for or working with The Flyer?

We hold meetings every Monday at 9 p.m. in the Flyer office, upstairs in GUC. If you cannot attend, send an e-mail to flyer@salisbury.edu for more information.



F.W. de Klerk

Nobel prize winner to speak Monday

By Sean Gossard
News Editor

On Monday, F.W. de Klerk, Nobel Peace Prize winner, will speak in Maggs Gym at 7 p.m. about "Leadership and Making a Difference."

In 1993 de Klerk, along with Nelson Mandela, won the Nobel Prize for his work in ending apartheid in South Africa. Apartheid was a policy of segregation in South Africa which started in 1948 to legally separate people based on race.

De Klerk and Mandela were also recognized for their work in bringing democracy to South Africa with the belief of one person, one vote.

This visit will be the 15th anniversary of the Center for Conflict Resolution. Currently Salisbury is the only university in Maryland which offers a Bachelor's degree in conflict analysis and dispute resolution. Starting in fall of 2008 the university will offer a Master of Arts Degree in conflict analysis and dispute resolution, making the

institution one of only two in the country to offer it.

A few tickets are still available at the Information Desk in the Guerrieri University Center and can be picked up between 8 a.m. and 10 p.m. Tickets are free and limited to two per person with an SU or UMES I.D.

Professors enlighten audiences on arts and politics of Korea

By Matt Harhai
Staff Writer

Professor Jinchul Kim and Professor Tachyun Nam spoke last Saturday afternoon in Fulton Hall on The Art and Politics of Korea.

Sponsored by the Fulton School of Liberal Arts, Kim, professor of art at Salisbury, focused on his art and Korean culture. According to Kim, his lecture entitled "The Epitome of East Meets West- Jinchul Kim's Art Work," displays the relation between Eastern and Western Philosophy.

Kim, who became a professor at Salisbury University in 1996, received a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree and a Master's from King Sayjong University in Seoul, Korea.

Kim showed and discussed his art works spanning from the early 80's to the present. Kim spoke of his philosophy and compared his perspective as a Korean immigrant to the impact American culture has on such an individual.

He focused on the unique relationship that immigrants have in foraging a new life in America, and what is produced from that relationship. In any person that has immigrated "you are going to have a storm, dynamics, and a mental and spiritual impact," said Kim, with the frustrations and challenges around you.

"The power and dynamics" said Kim, "are the results," and if you have them you will be a successful American citizen. These beliefs are evident in Kim's work from his early self portraits in his

college days, to his super realistic, metaphysical style of the nineties using VCR parts, recording devices, motors and amplifiers to create his abstract art.

Nam, Professor of Politics at Salisbury, has a PHD from the University of Kansas discussed the Politics of Korea and more specifically democracy.

Opening his lecture by asking the audience, "Can you envision democracy without election?" they responded with a resounding "No".

Nam discussed the ideology of Korea, proving that Korea is such a country that would not hesitate to elect someone such as Kim Jong-il. Not because Jong is a tyrant and the people of Korea happen to be; as Nam said was the stereotype of Asians, untrustworthy and sneaky; far from that, in Korea, when elections take place people vote, not based on a candidates agenda but on what geographic location the candidate happens to hail from.

This is a disappointing fact of

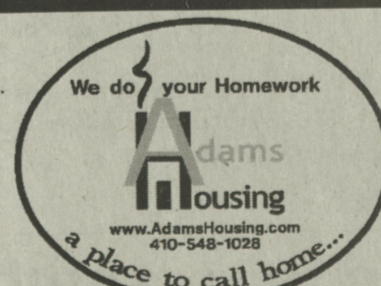


Natalie Beck photo

Professor Jinchul Kim was one of two speakers who lectured to students and faculty about art and politics in Korea.

the reality in Korea, not the reality we in America are taught, however the people of Korea see this as just part of election process because the majority of Korean's don't know what it means to vote for a candidate based on their agenda. Only "the academia, people like me" said Professor Nam, see that elections are really not supposed to be

based off of geographic appeal. Nam closed with the sentiments that democracy can provide the opportunity to put people in power that they wish to represent them. However with the corruption in the world such as in democratic ideals it's not hard to see how a regime can take over and hold court with violence and evil.



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Top Media
April Fool's
Jokes in
History

■ *The Phoenix New Times* published a story about the formation of the "Arm the Homeless Coalition" (1999).

■ *PC Computing* reported on legislative efforts to ban the use of the Internet while drunk (1994).

■ In 1989, KSLX-FM in Scottsdale, Ariz., broadcast the claim that the station had been taken hostage by Pima Indians, prompting calls to the police.

■ San Diego's KGB-FM alerted listeners on April 1, 1993, that the space shuttle Discovery had been re-routed from Edwards Air Force Base to a local airport. Thousands showed up to view the landing despite the fact that the spacecraft was earthbound that day.

■ In 1994, London's *Daily Star* sports pages reported that invading superworms might destroy the Wimbledon green.

Smoke Free 2007: Outlook hazy for smoking in Maryland

By Hianna Adrian
Staff Writer

It all started in 1995 when Maryland's highest court lifted a ruling obtained by the tobacco companies which has prevented the nation's toughest smoking ban from becoming effective.

Now, more than a decade later, a state-wide smoking ban in Maryland appears to be a done deal after committees in the House and Senate approved the Clean Air Act of 2007 which, if approved by the entire General Assembly, would make bars, restaurants and other workplaces across the state completely smoke free.

Recently, a vote by the Baltimore City Council to prohibit lighting up in bars and restaurants has given

new momentum to a proposed state-wide bill because nearly half of Maryland's population now lives in areas covered by local bans.

The ban, which no longer allows smoking in bars and cabs effective 1/1/08, has been long advocated by health activists but opposed by some restaurant owners. The ban passed in a rare Sunday session over objections that the state was meddling with private business and their decisions whether or not to allow indoor smoking. Baltimore City Council voted to ban smoking in public places by a vote of 9-2, with four council members abstaining.

Currently, five Maryland counties; Charles, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's, Talbot, and Washington, D.C.

have smoking bans in place.

The ban, which resulted from a governmental health regulation rather than legislative action, is reportedly the most comprehensive in the nation. The Maryland regulation prohibits smoking in any workplace, except in separate smoking rooms which must be separately ventilated and negatively pressurized. The definition of workplaces includes not only offices and stores, but all restaurants and bars. Thus, smoking will be prohibited anywhere within a bar or restaurant.

However, the measure was amended to allow bars and restaurants to apply for hardship waivers. The amendment to the bill would allow businesses to apply for a waiver if they felt that the ban

would sharply reduce customers or create other significant problems. The waiver would initially cost \$1000 and \$500 for every renewal. Exceptions would be made for cigar bars, private clubs, some tobacco stores and outdoor seating areas at restaurants if the owner applies for a waiver. Smoking would also be allowed in hotels as long as 75 percent of the rooms were smoke-free.

With the ban in place, people who smoke in restaurants, bars or any form of public transportation, including taxi cabs, could be fined up to \$250. Owners who allow smoking would be fined \$500 per smoker. Now, we can only wait until next year and see how it turns.

Harvard accused of promoting mindless sex

By Lindsey Dickinson
Staff Writer

Recent controversy at Harvard University has caused quite a reaction in Massachusetts, but students across the US are stunned by Harvard's current issue.

Students claim that the University has promoted too much sex on campus and this has created a very negative outcome. Not only does Harvard have a recently established student-run porn magazine, but the campus health center has also advertised "Free Lube."

Two seniors at the University,

Sarah Kinsella and Justin Murray, are very offended by the Ivy League school's actions and view it as a promotion of mindless sex. To fight against it, [they] started a student group called True Love Revolution to promote and support abstinence. The group has a Facebook.com page with 90 members, and at Harvard they have about 50 members.

Kinsella said that she felt like Harvard treats sex and hooking up so casually that she sometimes wonders if sex is a serious thing at all.

True Love Revolution members

say that Harvard has led students to believe that having sex at college is acceptable by their requiring incoming freshman to attend a seminar on date-rape that has no mention of abstinence in it and also by placing condoms in freshmen dorms.

Dr. David Rosenthal, Director of Harvard health services said that students mistakenly think everyone on campus is having sex. "The National College Health Assessment Survey, which included Harvard and hundreds of other campuses, found that about 29% of students reported not having sex

in the past school year," he said. "For the 71% who are having sex, it is crucial to promote safety."

While Salisbury University does not promote sex on campus, the University does promote safety if you do choose to be sexually active. On campus you can find free condoms in both health services and in some of the dorms, as well as many informative brochures and pamphlets on safe sex and other useful information regarding your sexual decisions.

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State apologizes for involvement in slavery

By Samantha Schleupner
Staff Writer

On March 27, Maryland became the second state in the nation to give an apology for its involvement in slavery and for the racial discrimination that has occurred since as a result.

In the House of Delegates, a vote of 130 to 6 favored the passing of the resolution. The Senate passed a version of the apology last month.

Virginia was the first state in the nation to express its regrets in the participation in slavery. [Their] apology was passed in Feb of this year. Many other states (such as Delaware, Georgia, and Missouri) have been debating whether to pass a similar motion in their legislatures but nothing has officially been declared.

The passing of such a measure has been a great issue for debate in the state over the past several decades. Slavery existed in Maryland from the day [it] became a colony in 1632 until the day slavery was abolished in 1864.

Along with expressing its regrets in having participated in slavery, Maryland also acknowledges its participation in slave trades and declares slavery the total opposite of what the nation has always stood for.

Many are thrilled with the passing of this acknowledgement and agree that this apology is long overdue. It is hoped that this motion should ignite conversations to reconcile racial issues that the country has been plagued with for ages. Several residents said they were proud to be citizens of the state of Maryland because of this action.

However, the six legislators whose votes went against the bill believe that the motion is not necessary. Delegate Patrick L. McDonough from Baltimore County believes that the nation sufficiently showed their

HISTORY CORNER

TUESDAY
APRIL 3

1973. The first portable cell phone call is placed in New York City.

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 4

1968. Martin Luther King, Jr. is assassinated at a motel in Memphis, Tenn.

THURSDAY
APRIL 5

1804. The first recorded meteorite falls in Possil, Scotland.

FRIDAY
APRIL 6

648 BC. Earliest solar eclipse recorded by ancient Greeks.

SATURDAY
APRIL 7

1933. Prohibition was repealed for beer of no more than 3.2% alcohol by weight, eight months before the ratification of the amendment that repealed the 18th amendment; the amendment that mandated nationwide prohibition.

SUNDAY
APRIL 8

1899. Martha Place becomes the first woman to be executed in an electric chair.

MONDAY
APRIL 9

1867. Alaska purchase: Passing by a single vote, the United States Senate ratifies a treaty with Russia for the purchase of Alaska.

"I don't think apologies solve anything. They're just feel-good superficial measures."

Patrick McDonough
Maryland delegate

apology and regret for the institution of slavery through the lives and blood that was lost and shed during the Civil War, and also through the countless legislation from Civil Rights and aid that is provided for social programs for minorities. McDonough was quoted in The Baltimore Sun saying, "I don't think apologies solve anything. They're just feel-good superficial measures".

As for the other votes against the motion, two legislators did not vote and three were absent from the session.

Although thoughts of these measures have occurred at the state government level, these ideas have been shot down at the federal level. Representative John Conyers, a democrat from Michigan, has been trying to pass a measure in Congress to address the issue of reparations for slavery since 1989, but has been shot down every time. Stephen J. Cohen, a democrat from Tennessee, has introduced a similar motion to that of Maryland's, calling for national apology for slavery.

The nation has been plagued with racial discrimination and segregation since the institution of slavery was introduced during the country's colonial beginning. With the passing of this motion in Maryland, and another in Virginia, the people of the United States can be sure similar actions will take place in other states around the country in the near future.

Hundreds of refugees thrown overboard to sharks

By Celina Ryan
Staff Writer

SANA'A, YEMEN—Somalia has long been one of the most unstable countries in Africa, but conditions have worsened and drastic measures are being taken by its citizens. Thousands of Somalis are trying to escape the poverty and turmoil that threaten their daily lives. Smugglers promise to take these innocents across the Gulf of Aden to Yemen, where they will be accepted. At first sign of trouble, however, the smugglers toss the refugees out to sea, in order to make a speedy getaway.

Thirty-one refugees were found dead and more than 90 missing after being thrown into stormy waters last week. An additional 400 were forced overboard at the same time but were rescued. The others weren't so lucky.

Some bodies found showed signs of severe mutilation and several women were raped during the voy-

age. Others were stabbed or butchered before becoming a meal for eagerly awaiting sharks.

According to Yemeni officials, several boats were involved in the incident. The dead and missing were thrown off a single wooden boat that carried approximately 120 people, all from the town of Bosaso in Somalia's Puntland region.

Last year, nearly 26,000 people made the risky voyage across the Gulf of Aden from Somalia to Yemen, where they will be accepted. At first sign of trouble, however, the smugglers toss the refugees out to sea, in order to make a speedy getaway.

The UNHCR said it plans to appeal internationally for more aid to help Yemen deal with the flood of refugees. It also wants to educate people in Somalia to not trust smugglers who promise to carry them to safety.

Yemen is one of few countries that will take refugees in. Out of 88,000 registered refugees in

Yemen, 84,000 are Somali, according to the UNHCR.

Human rights activists have recently accused Kenya of violating international law by not accepting Somali refugees who are not part of any armed group. Kenyan officials respond that the civilians have no reason to flee because Somalia's legally recognized government is not fighting the civilians.

Erika Feller, the UNHCR's Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, said that the unstable security situation in Somalia makes it near-certain that refugees will continue to try and escape. "Until the root causes of poverty, persecution and conflict are addressed, desperate people who have nothing left to lose will continue to risk their lives," she said.

Two more boats carrying more than 300 Somalis and Ethiopians arrived safely in Yemen on Saturday with no reported casualties, said the UNHCR.

Contest offers students chance to win \$5,000 scholarship

SAN FRANCISCO — Hyperic Inc., the leader in multi-platform, open source systems management, recently kicked off an essay contest that encourages students to articulate the management challenges and solutions surrounding the Next Generation Data Center. This new breed of IT workspaces is characterized by increased consolidation and higher utilization of resources, faster delivery times for services and significantly expanded channels for communication and collaboration.

Established to engage emerging IT experts and future system administrators in the development of next generation IT management tools and techniques, the contest

will award a \$5,000 scholarship to the individual who can most clearly define the IT requirements for the systems management of the Next Generation Data Center.

The scholarship is open to all members of university-level IT departments. To apply for a scholarship, students may be required to show proof of enrollment in university-level IT classes, and faculty must show proof of employment. Awards will be assigned directly to student tuition, or departmental budget.


Interested individuals are invited to visit www.hyperic.com/essaycontest to review a more detailed description of the contest and the

contest rules. Eligible applicants should fill out and submit the application form directly on the website. The essay should be a 2500-word description of their vision for managing the Next Generation Data Center.

Winning essays must include specific requirements, background and use-case scenarios, real or imagined, that describe the types of IT monitoring and analysis that will be required by Next Generation Data Centers.

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Photos and article by: Sarah Wright



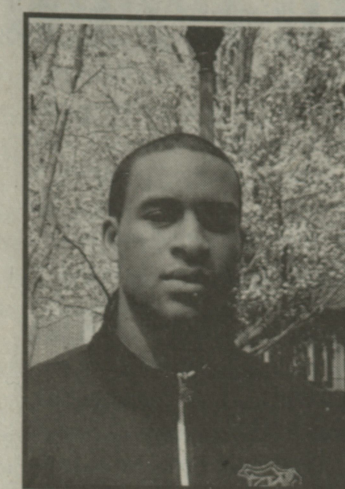
"Senior year we pulled a trick on our teacher and told him we didn't have the thesis paper we needed to graduate."
— Angela Noland, junior



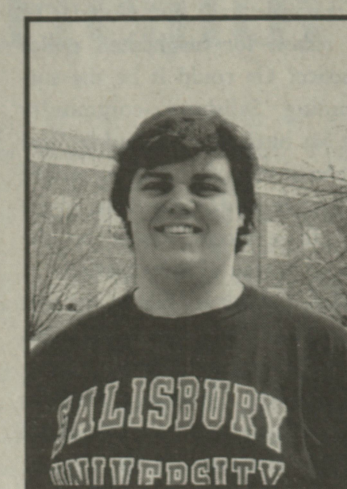
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— Ashleigh Haddad, senior



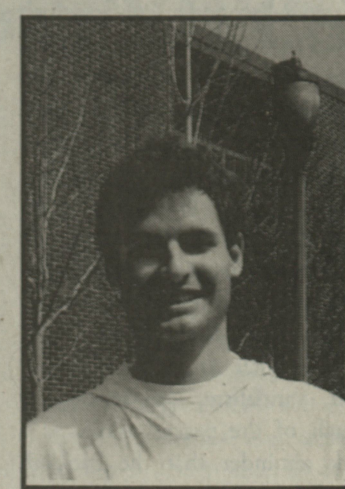
"My family taped the squitter thing for the sink so that when the water comes on it squirts you."
— Chelsey Hilker, freshman



"One of my friends told his mom that he totaled her new car."
— Devin Jones, sophomore



"Putting fake toilet paper in the dispenser so it doesn't unravel."
— Scott Dotterweich, freshman



"We put mineral ice on a toilet seat. When my brother went to the bathroom in the morning and sat down, his balls burned for like an hour and a half."
— Tim George, junior

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What students should know before they vote

By Terry E. Cohen
Salisbury City Council Candidate

As one of three Salisbury City Council candidates targeted by vicious false rumors spread by the landlord trade association (SAPOA) — the city's largest and most powerful special interest group — I want to set the record straight.

1. All residents, renters and homeowners need safe housing they can afford.

2. Only landlords can raise rents, which they did long before meager regulations were put on the books.

3. Housing and zoning regulations protect homeowners and renters, and enforcement of these regulations fights blight, crime and substandard housing conditions.

4. SAPOA's letter targeting all city renters saying that Cohen, Smith and Spies want to eliminate all

rentals is absurd. What community can exist without accommodations for those who need or want to rent?

The candidates negatively targeted by these rumors have publicly stated their support of and efforts to create safe, affordable housing options for both renters and homeowners of all types and to have open problem-solving sessions that include students.

Our crime rate has escalated. Salisbury is now ranked #11 nationwide for crime per capita. Students have been assaulted on Smith St., others live next to drug dealers and some reside in substandard conditions in near neighborhoods. You already know the struggles you face with rental prices. Stable single-family neighborhoods and well-designed multi-family/multi-use neighborhoods reduce crime and blight and contribute to the afford-

ability of housing.

Landlords can choose to be part of these solutions and profit by making this a better, safer, more livable community for all; or they can choose to protect their interests in negative ways, as demonstrated by the above-referenced landlords' communications to renters.

You also have a choice. You can get the facts about the candidates, or you can have your vote guided by vicious, false rumors. These rumors went way beyond mere political opinion and the negativity has been bolstered by the mayor herself.

It is unfortunate that the mayor and SAPOA feel the only way they can get their candidates elected is to resort to smear, innuendo, distortion and outright fabrications. What does that say about their opinion of voters, or for that matter, their opinion of their candidates?

Turnitin.com rejected among students

Dear Student Body, SGA and Administrators,

I believe that the student government should actively pursue an agenda to terminate Salisbury University's use of TURNITIN.com. I realize that your initial response is obviously a reception of this request as a sophomore joke. However, this is in fact a serious demand. I am a junior at Salisbury who transferred this semester.

At first, the mandate of my professors to upload my papers to TURNITIN.com seemed like a mere inconvenience, for me, regarding figuring out how to operate the system. However, in further contemplation of the matter, the mandate strikes me as nothing short of a morally bankrupt request for a few different reasons.

First, it is purely un-American. This is to say that it is built into our constitution, and readily

agreed upon by our fellow citizens, that a person is innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Our University accepted us as scholars, and each semester eagerly accepts our payments that help sustain the institution, yet simultaneously has the audacity to presume that you or I are going to plagiarize! If we are so capable to be of the select few who are accepted here at Salisbury University, why this blatant statement of no confidence?

It could superficially appear that I have a vested interest to end this to in fact cheat. To this sentiment, I simply reply that this is never going to be the case. Please allow me to repeat myself for clarity. I will never be a cheat!

Secondly, on any given subject, how much can be said? The fact is that on subjects an infinite amount can be said. On others, the birth of new insights will not occur. My fear is that I could come up with, independently, the

same philosophical insight as another person. For this I could be convicted of academic dishonesty when in fact I had done nothing wrong!

Furthermore, I am singularly offended that my honor is being unreasonably questioned by men and women who do not know me personally. I adamantly believe that the burden of proof, like any criminal investigation, lies on the professors and deans to prove each individual act that they suspect to be academically dishonest, as opposed to dragging an illegitimate net over the whole lot of us. The authorities will deem this to be a minor inconvenience of time that we need to just put our meek heads down and go along with.

To this, I say, WE, the students, need to defend our honor and shake ourselves free from this immoral prejudice.

— Benjamin (Jami) Dennis



~SUDOKU~

The Rules of Sudoku

The classic Sudoku game involves a grid of 81 squares. The grid is divided into nine blocks, each containing nine squares.

The rules of the game are simple: each of the nine blocks has to contain all the numbers 1-9 within its squares. Each number can only appear once in a row, column or box.

The difficulty lies in that each vertical nine-square column, or horizontal nine-square line across, within the larger square, must also contain the numbers 1-9, without repetition or omission.

Every puzzle has just one correct solution. Good luck.

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Difficulty Rating: Hard

Solution to last week's puzzle:

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8	9	2	3	7	5	4	6	1

The weather is warming... time to riot?

By Matt Rains
Staff Writer

Last week, Salisbury University students received an email from the Dean of Students with a harsh reminder that those found to be in violation of the provisions set forth by the Board of Regents Event-Related Misconduct Policy; which applies to any institution-sponsored events held on or off campus, will be subject to the University's judicial process and likely suspended.

The email, which contained provisions of the policy applying to, "any misconduct that results in harm to persons or property or otherwise poses a threat to the stability of the campus or the campus community, such as rioting, assault, theft, vandalism, fire setting, or breach of the peace," serves as a stark reminder that the backlash from local residents and police from Field Day '05 continues to remain a pressing issue in the minds of university administration. To enforce this policy, as well as to ensure safety and civility during this busy time

of year, local law enforcement in conjunction with university police are also expected to have a greater presence on and around campus in the coming weeks.

Of course all of this begs the question: Who exactly is the real threat to safety and civility? I say this because I'm not entirely clear on the issue. Is it me? Could I be the reason for heightened police presence? Or could it be the surrounding Salisbury community that has burglarized, assaulted, and murdered their way to being ranked the 11th most dangerous city in the U.S. in a recent report by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Well, I think it's fair to say that the surrounding community has always posed a much greater threat to Salisbury University students than we have ever posed to them. Don't believe me? Just ask any one of the numerous students who have been assaulted and robbed in and around University Park, University Village, and on Olney road or anyone who witnessed last month's shooting at Mulligan's or stabbing

at Monkey Barrel. The real culprits of crime and civil disorder are anything but SU students and to suggest anything to the contrary is erroneous and presumptuous.

That being said, although I applaud the University's efforts to inform students of its expectations for special events, I have to ask, what is being done the other 364 days of the year to address the disturbing prevalence of violent crime our student body is forced to cope with? From where I stand, it looks as though police presence is increased only when the University's reputation is at stake.

The horror stories of civil disorder and property damage that stemmed from Field Day '05 have been worn thin. Okay, so we set a couch on fire. I am clearly not disputing that; but c'mon, it was an old couch. You'd think we had set a monk on fire. The near military occupation of our campus that replaced Field Day '06 was laughable and unwarranted, not to mention an enormous waste of human and capital resources. In fact, if

there were a book called "Stupid Things To Do," that would have been on the cover.

With the cancellation of Field Day '06 it has become apparent that the University lacks confidence in all of us. Perhaps we were deserving of this punishment, perhaps not. Regardless, we deserve the very best in police presence everyday, not just special events. We at the Flyer publish articles almost weekly that have documented time and time again the violence within a community that has proven it's self a threat to all of us at SU. Simply put, we are not the problem.

So I'll thank the Salisbury University administration in advance for its continued commitment to student safety in the coming weeks and strongly urge they consider these issues all the time and not just as Lea Wimbrow, Executive Administrative Assistant to Student Affairs, so eloquently put it, "when the weather begins to warm."

Salisbury University Police Department in partnership with local police agencies is expected to have a greater presence in the community to help ensure a safe and civil community for all.

Also know that any off-campus behavior documented by city offi-

E-mail originally sent from Dean of Students:

I hope each of you enjoyed a safe spring break and that you have had success working through mid-terms and papers.

This is a note to remind you of the University's expectations of you, especially as the weather begins to warm.

Know that you have a responsibility to the University and that we expect you will exercise good judgment and citizenship in the community.

Specifically, for those who intend to host or attend functions on or off-campus, please be considerate of your neighbors by paying careful attention to the noise level and taking responsibility for your guests.

Salisbury University Police Department in partnership with local police agencies is expected to have a greater presence in the community to help ensure a safe and civil community for all.

Also know that any off-campus behavior documented by city offi-

cials may warrant action by the University's judicial process.

Moreover, as we approach several upcoming spring sporting, concert, and festival events, I want to remind you about the Board of Regents Event-Related Misconduct Policy which "applies to any misconduct that results in harm to persons or property or otherwise poses a threat to the stability of the campus or campus community, such as rioting, assault, theft, vandalism, fire setting or breach of the peace, and occurs at institution-sponsored events held on or off campus, including athletic events."

Students suspended in accordance with this provision shall not be admitted to any other institution in the University System of Maryland for the duration of the suspension.

We appreciate in advance your commitment to the University, the community, and to each other and wish you each a safe and successful semester.

Candidates rhetoric solely aimed to please

Depending on the audience, candidates' rhetoric can be reasonable, or it can blatantly beat the partisan drum.

It is instructive to read comments of City Council candidates in this light. In response to Richard Insley's "infamous" letter to his tenants, Spies and Cohen reassure us their aim is to encourage single family ownership and stop conversions to rentals (The Daily Times 3/30/07).

Who can be against controlling urban blight and cracking down on negligent landlords, even if it involves reasonable increases in landlord fees?

Nor do Spies and Cohen want to "kick renters out of neighborhoods." Though, it seems they don't like "transient renter populations." Could this be a code word for students, since (admirably) Cohen next calls for a "blended approach" that will "bring [all] stakeholders together," including "students."

So far, no partisan drum beats. But what note does Spies sound at the forum hosted by the Camden Neighborhood Association? "If we create student housing [elsewhere called "urban villages"], that would free up houses in the neighborhoods and bring the housing prices

down" (The Daily Times 3/30/07).

Excuse me. Don't we already have a University Park-type housing? Why then do students still want to rent in the Camden area? And how, Mr. Spies, will the Council dissuade them from wanting to rent there? Who will pay for the construction of "urban villages" that students will flock to, and what will rents be there? Is this then the "blended approach" which brings "stakeholders together"?

William Clayton Horne
Salisbury, MD

Students duped by lying administration

Isn't it amazing how we, as a student body, allow ourselves to be so easily duped by the administration? I can remember attending meetings last year during which a top administrator at Salisbury University guaranteed that our behavior during last year's "Field Day," or lack thereof, would be the determining factor when considering whether or not we would be granted Field Day this year. I made it a point to ask her this question so that they could not back out of the deal. How naive must I have been?

So what happened? To recap: they called in an obscene amount of police, over-reacted to the situation, treated us students as if we were preparing for the Revolution, the student body behaved well beyond everyone's wildest imagination, and all we well. So my question is this: Where is our Field Day?

While I might be as big of a Method Man fan as anybody, this upcoming Spring Concert of ours is definitely NOT Field Day. Field implies it is outside. Day implies it is all day. Spring Concert is neither. Red Square starting at 4 p.m. is a joke, and Maggy Gym does not do Method Man justice. Only SU students are allowed to attend? Sure doesn't sound like Field Day to me.

We were duped. As is my experience with some administrators at this school, they will promise one thing and deliver another. Not only will they do this, but they have the audacity to actually expect us to accept this without any problem whatsoever. They treat us as powerless children who have no recourse of action. They treat us as fools, and deal with us dishonestly.

Hey, who cares though? Method

Man is coming to SU, right? We should all just be happy, dismiss their false promises, and be grateful that we have something rather than nothing, right? And maybe we should. But you know what? That just ain't my style. Being led on by administrators, when I asked them point blank to their face, only to have them renege, doesn't sit too well with me. Call me crazy but I think we deserve better than that.

Thomas Adkins
Class 2007
Philosophy & Sociology

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Do you wait until the last five minutes before running to class? Do you often count the ceiling tiles in your dorm to put off writing your paper? Then you might be a procrastinator! Come to the University Writing Center on Wednesday, April 4 at 7 p.m. for a refreshing take on how to battle the procrastinator inside of all of us. We will discuss valuable ways to manage time, techniques to avoid being swamped and survival methods for when time truly is against you. Learn how to write effectively when time is short and how to make the time necessary to do your paper justice. Pizza will be served as well. All majors are encouraged to attend. Contact the writing center at 410-543-6332.

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April showers students with awareness

By Amanda Hailey
Staff Writer

April is the great socialite month of the calendar year, full of history and blooming with events. April brings attention and awareness to an array of topics ranging from the environment, abuse, medical diseases, poetry, pecans and more.

The fourth month of the calendar year boasts a rich history of some unforgettable events. The American Revolution started in April of 1775 and the American Civil War began in April 1861 and ended in April 1865. Abraham Lincoln was assassinated on April 14, 1865 and Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated on April 4, 1968. The Titanic sank in the hours between April 14-15 of 1912 and the San Francisco Earthquake of 1906 occurred on April 18.

Most of us are aware of significant dates in April such as April Fools Day, Earth Day, Arbor Day, Passover, Easter Sunday and the day your taxes are due in to Uncle Sam. However, April plays host to a multitude of other events and issues.

In the age of information, health and awareness, April has been deemed Stress Awareness Month, Alcohol Awareness Month, Mathematics Awareness Month, Irritable Bowel Syndrome Awareness Month, Workplace Conflict Awareness Month, Autism Awareness Month, Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Child Abuse Awareness Month, STD Awareness Month and National Donate Life Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Month.

On a lighter note, the month of April is also Keep America Beautiful Month, National Poetry Month, Occupational Therapy Month, National Frog Month, International Guitar Month, Straw Hat Month, Chocolate Eaters Month, National Humor Month, National Pecan Month, National Welding Month and National Garden Month.

The first week of April brings us the Cherry Blossom Festival, National Bike Week, National Young Adult Awareness Cancer Week and National Medic Alert Week which was instituted by former President Ronald Reagan on April 3, 1982. Subsequent weeks in April have been named National Coin Week, Professional Secretaries Week, National Home Safety Week, National TV-free week, Be Kind to Animals Week, National Adult Films Week, National Coin Week, National Bubblegum Week, National Volunteer Week, National Lingerie Week, Egg Salad Week (after Easter of course), Mattress Turnover Week, and Reading is Fun Week.

SOAP is hosting a bus trip to Boston April 20. This is a great opportunity for anyone who would like to experience every-

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HPV vaccine offered at Health Services

By Jen Jackson
Staff Writer

The recent insight into Human Papillomavirus (HPV) has caused concern amongst Americans and has raised awareness of cervical cancer amongst women. In response to the recognition of HPV, MERCK & CO., INC formulated the first and only cervical cancer vaccination, Gardasil.

Human Papillomavirus can affect both men and women. HPV can be spread by any sexual contact

with the genital area between an infected person and his/her partner. Sex isn't necessary.

HPV types 16 and 18 are accountable for over 70% of cervical cancer diagnoses, and types 6 and 11 are the cause of 90% of the country's genital warts cases.

Cervical cancer is the cancer of the lower uterus that connects to the vagina. Abnormal cells, induced by HPV, develop in the lining of the cervix, and if left untreated, will form into cancer. Genital warts are growths that are easily transferred

between sexual partners. If HPV is the cause of the warts, outbreaks will continuously come back, even if the outbreaks are treated. HPV is so easily transmitted that it is estimated that 20 million people in America are infected and every year, 6 million new cases are reported.

As the reports of Human Papillomavirus continued to skyrocket in a short amount of time, a preventative treatment was introduced. The Gardasil vaccination treats HPV types 6, 11, 16 and 18, but does not protect from any other

of the 30 strands of Human Papillomavirus. Gardasil is given in a series of 3 shots in a period of 6 months. Without all three shots, the vaccine is not fully effective. Side effects of the shot include pain, swelling, itching and redness at the injection site, as well as fever, nausea, and dizzy spells. Gardasil is a preventative treatment, meaning it is injected before contact with HPV occurs and is made for girls and women, ages 9 to 26.

Because Gardasil is offered to girls at such a young age, a lot of controversy has stewed over this vaccine. People think that giving Gardasil to girls at such a young age will cause promiscuity and give girls a false sense of protection from other STDs.

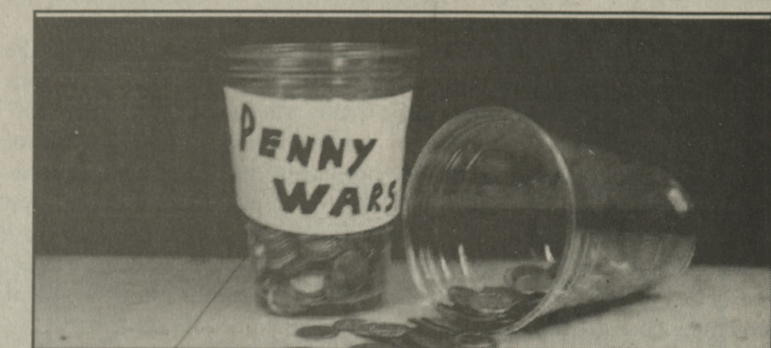
Gardasil is now being offered at SU's Health Services Center at the cost of \$150 and should be considered if you are sexually active. HPV can be contracted and carried by both men and women so any and all students should contact health services to learn more about the vaccination.

Residence halls duke it out in Penny Wars 2007

By Maria Cobb
Staff Writer

Find a penny pick it up, throughout the day you'll have good luck! But there is something better you could do with that penny. Let your penny be an active member in Penny Wars!

Penny Wars began on March 28 and will last until April 25. As a part of Spring Olympics, Penny Wars is a competition held between all of the Residence Halls (including University Park) to collect the most pennies. The winner will select a charity to give half of all of the collected money to while the other half will go to the Residence Hall Association. Dollar bills and other coins will be collected as well.



Kurt Auer photo

but it is the actual weight of the pennies and the number of contributing residents per building that will determine the winner. "I think Penny Wars is a fun, competitive way to raise money for local charities and to help those in need," said RHA President Megan Rogowski.

So check under the rug. Search in the couch. Empty out your pockets. Maybe even tap into the piggy bank. Just be sure to put your pennies towards Penny Wars! Even if you are not on campus or in UB, your donations in the Student Activities Office starting April 2 will go towards the selected charity.

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Students compete for Salisbury Idol title

By Lindsey Van Courten
Staff Writer

Who will be SU's next big star? On March 28, SOAP hosted the third Annual Salisbury Idol tryouts. Everyone lined up outside the Gulls Nest at 7 p.m. to show off their talents to the judges in hopes of making it to the next round.

Last year, 40 contestants tried their luck and eight made it to the finals that were held in Holloway Hall.

Alicia Mazurkevich, head of travel for SOAP, remembers last year's auditions very well. "Ryan Holden sang to me on stage during his first song," she said. "David Leonard

introduced everyone to some wonderful gospel/soul music. And for the first time ever we had a duet, Suzy and Esha, who choreographed a fantastic rendition of 'Total Eclipse of the Heart.'"

"The best thing was filling up Holloway Hall for the event," said Mazurkevich. "The support from the performers and the event from the rest of the student body was unbelievable!"

This year, there was just as much enthusiasm and the hopeful singers got their pieces ready to perform before the crowd. Singers had to be prepared with an a cappella piece to demonstrate their talents and vocal acrobatics.

The top ten singers for the Finals this year are Lindsay Owen, Rachel Barrett, Jess McGinty, Alex Williams, Celina Ryan, Tamika Hall, Jarrel Chandler, Lydia Smith, Laura Cheung and Dan Ridgeway. This is Celina Ryan's third time trying out for Salisbury Idol. "I tried out for Salisbury Idol my freshman, sophomore and now senior year," she said. "I made it to the top ten both times but never made the top three and I am hoping to kick butt this year!"

Elizabeth Chamberlin was last year's winner. She will be singing again this year and passing on her title to a new star. "The advice I would give to anyone competing for

Salisbury Idol is to have fun with it," she said. "If you love singing and performing, it is a perfect chance to do it even if you don't win. Even if I hadn't won that night, just being able to be on stage and do what I love to do with everyone I love watching was rewarding enough."

The top ten singers from Wednesday's auditions will be performing on Thursday, April 5 at the Finals. They will also be singing along side Elizabeth Chamberlin. First place receives \$300, second place \$150 and third place \$50.

So come out this Thursday night to Holloway Hall and see the ten finalists compete to be become the next Salisbury Idol.

Alumni House conducts annual phone-a-thon

By Diana Westenberger
Staff Writer

Twice a year, SU students participate in a student-run alumni phone-a-thon that earns money for scholarships as well as an array of other projects. This year, SU has reached an all-time high in pledges at 15 percent. This is an amazing feat for SU, which will now be placed in second next to University of Maryland's 18 percent participation of alumni.

The phone-a-thon is run by the Alumni House's Kerrie Bunting and Jason Curran. But students are the rock behind the operation. Students are hired according to their personalities and excitement toward the program and are paid for their efforts.

"The alumni love hearing from students because it reconnects them to their days at SU," said Bunting. "I just think it is awesome that the students who are calling get the chance to understand how important it is to support their Alma Mater."

Although many of the projects completed at SU are funded by large contributors such as Perdue, alumni also play a huge role in supporting SU financially. When the alumni give back, it lessens the financial burden on current students.

"When I first started working at the Alumni House, I was surprised to learn that most of the university runs not on our tuition fees, but on the money the Alumni House earns through its phone-a-thon," said Kristin Packard, a third-year participant in the phone-a-thon.

With 12 students calling alumni five to six nights a week, they attempt to reach six to seven hundred people each night. The students call to update employment, personal, and any other valid information from the alumni. They then go on to inform the alumni of the progress at SU and explain any

successes or specific projects that might be occurring on campus.

"It is fun to call alumni and to talk to them about their past college experiences," said second-year participant Kim Hamer. "The alumni love hearing from us too. They enjoy being updated about things that are going on around the SU community."

The enthusiasm of the students calling motivates alumni to make a pledge which will then hopefully turn into a donation. The ranking of alumni participation is not done by how much each alumnus gives but by how many choose to donate.

The students who participate in the phone-a-thon are very enthusiastic about the differences they are making. "It is nice to know that in a small way, the callers are contributing to the University," said Packard. "It is because of the donations from the alumni that Salisbury is such a great university."

Bunting, as Program Coordinator of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving, is in charge of hiring the students who will participate in the phone-a-thon. She emphasizes how important it is to choose students who have the energy and motivation to stick with the program throughout their years at SU. If Bunting is able to hire students with this energy while they are freshmen, the practice they will gain throughout their years doing the phone-a-thon will only enhance their skills.

"I have a group of students now who are great and I hope will be sticking with me until they have to graduate," said Bunting.

The phone-a-thon seems to be an increasing success with donations from many alumni. It shows current students how important their involvement in SU is once they graduate and become the alumni who are receiving these same phone calls.

Student Athlete Spotlight

Ackerman helps guide Gulls towards top

By Brendan Crawford
Staff Writer

Salisbury University Junior Sue Ackerman has returned for the 2007 season not only as a captain, but also as a nominee for the Tewaaraton Trophy, the award for the top player in the nation. After ranking fourth on the team in points in 2006, Ackerman has come out hot this season, leading the Gulls in goals and assists and helping SU to a 10-0 start, including recent wins over second ranked Amherst and number four Middlebury.

Where are you from? Do you come from a traditional "hot bed" for lacrosse?

Liberty High in Carroll County; Yes, I come from the Baltimore area which is the hot bed for lacrosse.

How many years have you been playing?

I started playing in 6th grade, so this is my 10th year.

Is lacrosse your favorite sport? And did you play any other sports in high school?

Yes, I also played soccer and basketball in high school and I miss both of those; but lacrosse is definitely my favorite.

Who has been your biggest fan?

My parents come to every game. They support me so much.

My sister, Linda, who played on the team a few years ago, is at all the games too; and she is one of my biggest fans—always encouraging me and offering advice to improve even more.

On the other side, who are you the biggest fan of? Is there anyone you try to model your game after?

Last year when I moved from midfield to attack, I looked up to Kate Scott and Amanda Tack and learned a lot from them about playing the position. I wouldn't say I model the way I play after any one person, but I look at other players and try to take the good things from their games to add to my own.

Do you have a favorite thing about playing college sports?

Being a part of a team that can compete for a national championship every year is really awesome. Our team has always been like a family away from home, which makes it even more special.

What is the key to juggling collegiate athletics and a full class schedule?

Time management is key. Athletes need to be able to get up for classes in the mornings, practice during the afternoon and find time to get work done, as well as prepare for games in season. There isn't much free time, so we have to be really efficient.



Brian McMullen photo

And finally, what are your predictions for the remainder of the season?

The remainder of the season includes some of the toughest competition in the country. We are excited to see how we do against teams like Mary Washington, TCNJ and F&M. Those wins over spring break and against Middlebury gave us a lot of confidence against quality teams.

Softball splits with McDaniel in doubleheader

By Joe Slaninka
Staff Writer

The Gulls squared off with the McDaniel Green Terror in a doubleheader Saturday afternoon at Sea Gull field, winning the second game 10-6, after dropping the first contest 4-2.

The Sea Gulls (16-6) jumped ahead early in the first game scoring two runs in the first inning off the bat of sophomore Stacey Malatkey as she cranked her sixth homerun of the season over the center field wall. However those would be the only runs scored for the Sea Gulls in the first game. "We were a little flat after Stacey's homerun, our defense went somewhere for a couple innings and we gave up too many runs," head coach, Margie Knight said. McDaniel (8-10) answered, scoring one unearned run in the fourth and three more in the sixth inning. McDaniel handed the Sea Gulls their first home loss of the season as they went on to win 4-2.

Junior starting pitcher Kirsten Wells pitched a complete game, striking out six batters and walking three. She drops to 9-4 on the season with the loss.

The Sea Gulls fared much better in the second game as they racked up 10 runs and held the Green Terror to six. Salisbury fell behind in the second as McDaniel's Lauren Toomey and Diana Rosemier each had two RBI in the inning. The Sea Gulls answered back with a run of their own off a single by senior Tee Dronenburg in the bottom half of the frame. Salisbury's bats showed off their potency in the third inning scoring seven runs including a two run homerun to center field

by freshmen Ali Ritter. "We were much better defensively in the second game," Coach Knight said. The Sea Gulls gave up two runs in the fifth inning but were never challenged as they went on to win 10-6. The Sea Gulls' bats combined for 16 hits against the Green Terror, 13 of which were singles.

Sophomore starting pitcher Stacy

Davis pitched a complete game striking out six batters and only walking three. She improves her record to 5-2. The Sea Gulls return home to face off with conference opponent Mary Washington on Saturday at noon.

Summer internships open opportunities

By Rachel Lopez
Staff Writer

Every year, thousands of college students are looking for a way to get their foot in the door of their dream career; whether it is getting awesome grades, joining every club imaginable or doing community service. One of the smartest moves one can make when it comes to your future is doing an internship. An internship is a great way to open many doors for you in the professional world.

An internship can help you know as much about what you like as what you don't like. Sometimes paid and sometimes not, internships offer college students the opportunity to gain some real life experience under the watchful eye of an assigned advisor. There are internships available everywhere. There are even entire websites dedicated to helping you find the right internship according to your interests, location, season and other criteria. A major search engine like Yahoo or Google can help you with finding these websites.

Now is the time when students are gearing up to find the right summer internship. There are so many available whether you are interested in fashion, business, writing—the list goes on and on.

The New York Times offers a 10-week summer internship to college students who want a career in Journalism. (They have photography and editing internships as well. At the end of the internship, the intern with the most potential wins a \$1,500 (tax-free) cash reward.

For those who want to spend the summer at the beach, the famous Candy Kitchen in Ocean City has 7 summer intern spots in the fields of managing, marketing and accounting. This paid summer internship will provide local housing for those who are selected. The application and further details can be found at www.ocsunmerjobs.com.

Most people think that internships are not worth going out for unless they are located in one of the "big" cities such as New York or L.A. There are local internships no matter where you live. They are easy on the wallet and still leave you within your comfort zone.

Students interested in internships can also go to major corporation's websites and many times, they will have a link to possible internship positions. So just try your luck and search everywhere and anywhere. Pretty soon you will find the right internship that fits just right.

Sea Gull of the Month:

Wendy Finley



Center (Summer 2006). I participated in SU 2007 Alternative Spring Break trip to Staten Island, NY to volunteer with the homeless and HIV/AIDS population.

In 2006, I received one of the highest leadership and volunteerism awards in the nation, "The Wind Beneath My Wings - The Katie Award" (January) and I was presented with the "Key to the City" (April) in my hometown, District Heights, Maryland.

Salisbury University has changed my life forever! When I graduate in May, I will leave with great memories. Thank God for placing all the wonderful people on and off campus into my life, who have helped me become someone I never imagined I could be.

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Gulls put bullet through Gettysburg

By Megan Armor
Staff Writer

The top-ranked Salisbury University men's lacrosse team defeated the No. 5 Gettysburg College 10-6 in front of 1,240 screaming fans at Sea Gulls Stadium during alumni weekend. The Gulls have now won 52 straight games at

home, 58 straight regular season games, and have won six straight over the Bullets holding a 16-5 series advantage. Salisbury (11-0) struck first scoring the first tally nine minutes into the contest as Matt Hickman scored the first of his four goals on the day off of a feed from Mike Lennon. After a great save from SU goalie Max Zarchin, who

shined in the Gulls win, the Bullets Joe Brody collected the rebound and put it in the back of the net to even the score at 1-1. The quarter ended 2-2 but that changed quickly as SU scored the first two tallies of the second stanza, and went into halftime holding on to a 5-3 lead. Although Gettysburg scored the first goal of the second half,

Salisbury retaliated with a goal from Eric Bishop, one of his two on the day. After two big hits by Salisbury defensemen, Chris Heier raced the ball up the field launching a pass to a wide open Hickman who made one move to dispose of the goalie and deposit the Gulls seventh goal on the day. Brett Yoder scored a goal with 1:51 left in the third, making the score 8-4 (Gulls) heading into the fourth quarter. With a little over five minutes left, Kylor Berkman passed from behind the net to a cutting Hickman, who rocketed a shot past all-American goalie Pat Vaughan. Ending Salisbury's four goal rally. The game finished with a Gettysburg goal in the last two minutes to make the final count 10-6 in the Salisbury victory.

Salisbury slipped by the Bullets in shots (32-30) and groundballs (33-29). Gettysburg won 11-of-20 face-offs, scoring two extra-man goals but the Sea Gulls capitalized in the fourth quarter scoring four straight goals. Senior goalie, Zarchin made eight saves, holding the 21st ranked offense of the Bullets to only six goals. Salisbury faces Mary Washington, Wednesday, April 4, in a Capital Athletic Conference Game.



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Junior Matt Hickman struggles against a Gettysburg defender in an effort to hold onto possession of the ball.



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Sophomore Kylor Berkman wades through the Gettysburg defense deep in Bullet territory.

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BASEBALL

The Salisbury University baseball team jumped 18 spots in the latest national rankings moving all the way up to No.8 in Division III, proving they want to stay there the Gulls smacked St. Mary's 24-0. The Gulls (22-3 CAC 5-1) recorded their sixth shutout of the season while matching its highest run output of the season. Thirteen different SU batters recorded a hit in the win, 12 of which also contributed an RBI for the Gulls. Senior pitcher Bryan Brainer (6-1) held St. Mary's scoreless through five innings allowing just six hits while striking out five. Salisbury ended the month of March with a 15-2 record while outscoring opponents 204-49. Freshman Mike Celenza went 3 for 5 with four RBIs, junior Justin Armiger was 3 for 4 on the day with two RBIs, and Brain Camper chipped in as well going 3 for 6 with three RBIs.

Tennis

The SU tennis team had a very successful week away from home winning five total matches, with both teams collecting victories against CAC foes Catholic and St. Mary's, while the men's squad also prevailed

over Christopher Newport. In the five victories the teams went a combined 41-4, with the ladies only dropping one match to St. Mary's and the boys losing three matches to Christopher Newport. All in all the teams lost only 6 sets during the week. SU's Matt Nicholson, ranked No. 14 in the region won all three of his singles matches dropping only a single set. The top two women on Salisbury's side, Erika Mitry and Jenny Rosler went undefeated in their singles and doubles matches helping to lead the Gulls to victory.

MEN'S LACROSSE

The top ranked Salisbury University lacrosse team dispatched of conference foe York College on the road crushing the Spartans 27-2. Junior Greg Titus netted a game high five goals to lead the Gulls on offense. The teams traded opening blows to start the game but SU scored 12 straight in the final 23 minutes of the first half to take a 13-1 lead into half. Salisbury had 15 different goal scorers, with seven players scoring two or more tallies, as the Gulls handed out 18 assists on its 27 goals. The Gulls outshot the Spartans 54-19, gathered

69 groundballs, won 23-of-23 face-offs and were a perfect 19-for-19 on clears.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The No. 3 Salisbury University women's lacrosse team felt what it was like to taste defeat for the first time this season falling to No. 5 Franklin & Marshall 8-7 in a hard fought road game. The Diplomats (9-0) jumped out to an early two-goal lead courtesy of Jen Pritchard and Ashley Beveington. Pritchard led all scorers with three goals, each tally coming in the first half including the marker she scored with eight seconds left on the clock to give F&M the 6-4 lead at the break. The Gulls played from behind for nearly the entire match pulling within one goal four different times, but never quite having enough to get over the proverbial "hump." Freshman goalie Natalie Pappas helped to keep the Gulls close with eight saves. Senior Natalie Degele and junior Jessica Liston each had two goals for Salisbury, while leading scorer Sue Ackermann was held without a goal for only the second time this season she did however dole out a game high four assists.



Brian McMullen photo



Top: Evan Thomas shows off his serving skills during one of Saturday's matches. Bottom: Brendan Kincaid is pictured mid-swing during a Saturday match. Right: Erika Mitry showed an impressive amount of skill during her match against her Hollins University opponent.

Women's Tennis prevails, men's falls short to No. 9

Brett Dickinson
Staff Writer

The SU women's tennis team easily handled Hollins University, 8-1 on Saturday, while the Men's team ran into a tough competitor in the No. 9 ranked team in the country University of Mary Washington falling 7-2. The loss snaps the men's six game win streak dropping them to 11-3 on the year and 3-1 in the Capital Athletic Conference. The win for the women's team improves their record to 7-4 on the year including three straight victories.

Salisbury's top two seeds, Matt Nicholson and Brendan Kincaid, started strong but couldn't seal the victories, both losing their matches in three sets. Nicholson, the No. 14 seed in the Atlantic South Region,

lost a tough battle with No. 2 ranked, John James.

Nicholson took the first set 6-2 from James, but UMW's star battled back and won the second set 6-1, unfortunately for SU Nicholson was forced to retire before the third set got underway giving the match to James. Kincaid had a similar fate against Mary Washington's Randy Loen, taking the first set, 6-0, but dropping the next two, 6-3 and 6-1. Both victories for the Gulls came from the hands of freshman Evan Thomas, who won both his singles and doubles matches on the day. Mary Washington maintained its top seed in the conference, staying undefeated with their second consecutive victory over the Sea Gulls in the past two years.

The women fared much better,

with a convincing win over Hollins, dropping just a single match 8-1. Salisbury started the day with three straight victories in doubles matches. The Gulls took their momentum over to the singles matches, with only one loss on the day. The lone defeat came during the top seed match between Mary Washington's Barrett Jones and Salisbury's Erika Mitry. It took three long, hard fought sets before Jones could edge Mitry. The star of the day was freshman Rachel Iosue, who took victory in her singles match without dropping a point, 6-0 and 6-0.

Next week the men will face off with Haverford College on Thursday the 5th, while the women don't compete at home until Saturday against conference foe Mary Washington.

SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		■ 4 p.m. - Men's Lacrosse vs. Mary Washington	■ 3:30 p.m. - Men's Tennis vs. Haverford		■ 12 p.m. - Softball vs. Mary Washington ■ 1 p.m. - Baseball vs. York ■ 1 p.m. - Women's Tennis vs. Mary Washington ■ 2 p.m. - Women's Lacrosse vs. St. Mary's	■ 12 p.m. - Men's and Women's Tennis vs. Johns Hopkins